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Q. What do we think about the French comment about intervening in Rwanda?

- A. - SINCE THE RWANDA CRISIS BEGAN ON APRIL 6, THE U.S. HAS REPEATEDLY CALLED FOR AN IMMEDIATE END TO THE SENSELESS KILLING IN RWANDA. WE SHARE THE ANGUISH AND OUTRAGE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OVER THE CONTINUED CARNAGE IN RWANDA AND UNDERSTAND THE DESIRE TO INTERVENE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.
- WE BELIEVE THAT THE BEST COURSE FOR SUCCESSFUL INTERVENTION IN RWANDA IS THAT OUTLINED IN UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS 918 AND 925 WHICH CALL FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF EXPANDED UNAMIR FORCES OF UP TO 5,500 TROOPS.
- WE ARE DISCUSSING WITH FRANCE AND OTHER SECURITY COUNCIL MEMBERS THE BEST WAY THAT WE, OUR EUROPEAN ALLIES, AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES IN THE CONTEXT OF THE OAU CAN MOVE QUICKLY TO STOP THE KILLINGS IN RWANDA, BRING ABOUT AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE, AND END THE MINDLESS VIOLENCE AND CARNAGE WHICH IS ENGULFING THE COUNTRY.

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**Q. You have said the U.S. has every reason to believe that acts of genocide have occurred in Rwanda. What are we doing about it?**

**A. -- THE U.S. AND THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAVE MADE A CONCERTED EFFORT TO PUT A STOP TO THE KILLINGS AND ACHIEVE A CEASE-FIRE IN RWANDA.**

**-- THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL APPROVED EXPANSION OF UNAMIR TO 5,500 TROOPS TO HELP PROTECT THREATENED CIVILIAN POPULATIONS AND HUMANITARIAN RELIEF EFFORTS.**

**-- 50 APC'S WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE UN TO SPEED UP ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST CONTINGENT OF THE ENLARGED FORCE. WE HOPE TO HAVE THE APC'S DELIVERED AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK.**

**-- WE HAVE DISPATCHED AN INTER-AGENCY TEAM, LED BY AMBASSADOR RAWSON, TO THE REGION TO ENLIST THE SUPPORT OF REGIONAL LEADERS IN OUR EFFORTS TO PRESSURE THE WARRING PARTIES TO STOP THE FIGHTING AND TO FACILITATE RAPID DEPLOYMENT OF THE EXPANDED UNAMIR FORCE.**

**-- WE STRONGLY SUPPORTED THE CONVENING OF A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (UNHRC), WHICH RESULTED IN THE APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR TO INVESTIGATE THE ATROCITIES. HE WILL BE SUPPORTED BY A TEAM OF HUMAN RIGHTS FIELD OFFICERS.**

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- **THE SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR'S MANDATE IS TO INVESTIGATE VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHICH HAVE OCCURRED IN RWANDA, INCLUDING ACTS OF GENOCIDE, AND TO REPORT HIS FINDINGS TO THE UNHRC BY THE END OF JUNE. ONCE THE SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR COMPLETES THIS REPORT, WE WILL WORK WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE COURSE OF ACTION.**

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